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12 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
13 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
14 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

15 AIU INSURANCE COMPANY, a New  
16 York corporation,

17 Plaintiff,

18 vs.

19 ACCEPTANCE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
20 a Delaware corporation, TIG SPECIALTY  
21 INSURANCE COMPANY, a California  
22 corporation, ROYAL INSURANCE  
23 COMPANY OF AMERICA, a Delaware  
24 corporation, AMERICAN SAFETY RISK  
25 RETENTION GROUP, IND., a Vermont  
26 corporation, and DOES 1 through 10,  
27 inclusive,

28 Defendants.

CASE NO. C 07-5491 PJH

**DECLARATION OF LAURA J.  
RUETTGER IN REFERENCE TO  
JOINT CASE CONFERENCE  
STATEMENT**

Initial CMC: February 7, 2008  
Courtroom: 3, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Time: 2:30 p.m.  
Judge: Hon. Phyllis J. Hamilton

I, Laura J. Ruettgers, declare:

1. I am an attorney with the law firm of McCurdy & Fuller LLP, counsel of record for AIU Insurance Company ("AIU") in this matter. I am licensed to practice before this Court and have personal knowledge of the following facts and could competently testify thereto if called upon to do so.

1           2.       Based upon the February 21, 2008 case conference scheduled in this matter, I am  
2 causing to be filed today a Joint Case Conference Statement on behalf of AIU and the following  
3 parties: Acceptance Insurance Company, Royal Indemnity Company as successor-in-interest to  
4 Royal Insurance Company of America (erroneously sued as Royal Insurance Company of  
5 America) and American Safety Risk Retention Group, Inc. ("American Safety"). I received  
6 signatures from counsel for each of said parties on the most current version of the Joint Case  
7 Conference Statement which will be filed today.

8           3.       Despite diligent efforts, I was unable to obtain final approval for the most current  
9 Joint Conference Statement from counsel for TIG Insurance Company ("TIG"). Accordingly,  
10 while TIG is included as a signatory, the statement is not filed on behalf of TIG as I did not receive  
11 a signature from counsel for TIG prior to the filing deadline.

12           I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this  
13 declaration was executed on February 14, 2008 at Menlo Park, California.



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